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**Environment Secretary to Address Environmental Design Contest
Thursday in Las Cruces**

(Santa Fe, NM) —New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Secretary Ron Curry will be the keynote speaker at the 13th annual WERC Environmental Design Contest Awards Banquet, 10 am Thursday April 10 in Las Cruces.

The contest brings students from around the country and the world together to compete against each other solving environmental problems with scientific means. The program also helps students find jobs after graduation. Approximately 2,500 students have participated in the program in the last 13 years.

Secretary Curry's speech will be at 10 am at the New Mexico State University Corbett Center in Las Cruces.

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